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1. The Chinese Communists are constructing the following highways in Kwangsi:

- a. Nanning - Ju Chun (扶定) - Chingshan (107-33, 22-27) - Lungching (106-56, 22-22) - Chennankuan - Indochina. This highway runs parallel to the railroad and is only half completed.
- b. Nanning - Tungcheng (107-50, 22-49) - Hsiangtu (106-57, 23-13) - Chinghsi (106-25, 23-09) - Indochina. The section of this highway from Nanning to Hsiangtu is open to traffic.
- c. Nanning - Suifu (107-53, 22-19) - Ssulo (107-35, 22-10) - Ningming (107-07, 22-09) - Pinghsiang (106-44, 22-06) - Tang Son. This highway, which runs parallel to the railroad, was opened to traffic in 1950. The road is now being broadened and wooden bridges will be replaced by reinforced concrete bridges which can stand the weight of a seventeen-ton tank.
- d. Nanning - Ch'inghsien (108-37, 22-58) by way of the Kwangtung-Kwangsi border.

2. A total of 100,000 workers, troops, and technicians have been mobilized for the construction of these highways. Materials for the construction work cost JPY 1,500,000,000.¹

1. Comment. In August 1951 the South China Military Area Command allocated JPY 1,500,000,000 and drafted over 60,000 laborers for repair work on military highways in Kwangsi,

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